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## **JEFFERSON CITY MAN SENTENCED TO NEARLY 22 YEARS FOR CRACK COCAINE**

**JEFFERSON CITY, Mo.** – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced today that a Jefferson City, Mo, man has been sentenced in federal court for possession with intent to distribute crack cocaine.

**Matthew Andrew Key**, 37, of Jefferson City, was sentenced by U.S. District Judge Nanette K. Laughrey on July 14, 2005, to 21 years and 10 months in federal prison without parole.

On March 8, 2005, **Key** pleaded guilty to being in possession with intent to distribute five grams or more of crack cocaine on March 9, 2004, in Cole County, Mo.

This case was prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney C. Douglas Shull. It was investigated by the Jefferson City, Mo., Police Department, MUSTANG (the Mid-Missouri Unified Strike Team and Narcotics Group), the Drug Enforcement Administration and the Missouri State Highway Patrol.

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